

CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Communications (December 8, 1993 through December 29, 1993)

MEETING DATE: January 5, 1994

PREPARED BY: City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

AGENDA ITEM

RECOMMENDATION

Set public hearing for January 19, 1994 to consider appeal received from Kenneth Choo appealing the Recreation Commission's recommendation not to allow the relocation of the Golf Driving Range to the DeBenedetti Park

as requested.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The City Clerk's office is in receipt of letter from Mr. Kenneth Choo (Exhibit A attached) appealing the Recreation Commission's recommendation not to allow the relocation of the Golf Driving Range to the DeBenedetti Park

as requested.

It is recommended that the City Council set this matter for public hearing at the January 19, 1994 City Council meeting.

FUNDING: None required.

Jennifer M. Perrin

City Clerk

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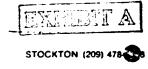
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December 14, 1993

TO: CITY COUNCIL CITY MANAGER

KEN CHOO golf driving range request location at

DeBenedetti Park

Gentlemen:

By this letter, I appeal the December 9, 1993, City of Lodi, Parks and Recreation Department recommendation (3 to 2 to not allow relocation as requested) and request reconsideration of this matter by the City Council. Their report to the City Council and related Exhibits "A" and "B" are incorporated by reference in this appeal. We are requesting this matter be set on the Council agenda for hearing on December 28, 1993.

If there is further communication pertaining to this matter required for this meeting, please contact my attorney, Mr. Robert J. Mertz.

Very truly yours,

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MEMORANDUM, City of Lodi, Parks and Recreation Dep. Shent

TO:

City Council

City Manager

FROM:

Parks and Recreation Director

DATE:

December 9, 1993

SUBJECT:

Ken Choo's Golf Driving Range Request

Mr. Ken Choo and Mr. Mike Thompson (Mr. Choo's golf pro) approached the Parks and Recreation Commission at their 12/7/93 meeting to address their position on the Pixley Park site for their proposed golf driving range, and request to relocate at DeBenedetti Park.

Mr. Thompson spoke on Mr. Choo's behalf and covered the various reasons why they do not wish to locate at Pixley Park (Exhibit A). Secondly, they discussed a plan to locate at DeBenedetti Park, both verbally and with a physical layout (Exhibit B). After making their comments and answering questions of the Commission, members of the public spoke. Mr. Akin, BOBS President, addressed the issues of tight-fitting of youth sports facilities to accommodate the driving range and to safety issues, such as location of the range next to athletic facilities. Others spoke to the same issues. Mr. Alegre spoke to this, plus needed site improvements and cost related to same, i.e., water, sewer, and road entrance and exit improvements needed to accommodate the golf facility and putting the golf driving range out to competitive bid.

After hearing public comments and asking more questions of Mr. Thompson and Mr. Choo, the Commission brought it back to the table and entertained a motion to not locate the golf driving range on a permanent basis at DeBenedetti Park, as presented. The motion was carried by a 3 to 2 vote. Therefore, not approving Mr. Choo's request to locate at DeBenedetti Park.

After the Commission took a short break, Mr. Choo stated there was confusion as to his proposal and the Commission's action. He said he was not proposing a permanent, but temporary golf driving range, as stated in his written exhibit, but stated in Mr. Thompson's verbal presentation as permanent. The Commission felt the motion should be corrected to reflect the written exhibits and clarification of their position. The motion was made to not allow Mr. Choo to relocate to DeBenedetti Park (with no mention this time to permanency, but location only). The motion passed 3 to 2 to not allow relocation.

Mr. Choo was informed by Mr. Johnson that this was the Commission's recommendation, but he cau'd still appeal to the City Council if he so desired.

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Attachments

City of Lodi Parks & Recreation Commission 125 North Stockton Street Lodi, CA 95240

Attention: Mr. Ron Williamson

In Re: Proposed temporary golf driving range at G-Basin, Lower Sacramento

Road, Lodi, CA.

Commission Members:

For your consideration December 7, 1993, meeting, I submit the following documents and comments:

- (a) Second revised plan for range at G-Basin site prepared by J. C. Draggoo & Associates, which plan takes into consideration elevations for facilities, as well as proposed storm inlets and outlets for City's basin at this location. Note the first plan prepared by J. C. Draggoo & Associates did not address elevation and storm drainage and was at considerable personal expense that I secured the present plan from them and the plan involved the City's Engineering Department's input and review.
- (b) As concerns the Pixley Park site, I have re-evaluated all aspects of this location as requested by the City Council and find it unacceptable to me for the following reasons:
- 1. The Model Airplane Club facility's current usage would have to be relocated at a cost they estimate at \$30,000.00, which I could not afford.
- 2. The adjacent automobile dealerships, Geweke Toyota and Mataga Olds-Buick, have indicated they are opposed to the location of the range at this site for potential safety and damage problems and indicate they will so advise appropriate authorities accordingly in writing.
- 3. The City of Lodi park and recreational plan recently prepared by J. C. Draggoo & Associates (copy attached) at this

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November 30, 1993

Commission's request recommended this site for a major adult soft-ball and soccer complex and to put the range at this site, in effect, negates the usefulness of that report. The BOBS Organization's objections to my location of the range at G-Basin (DeBenedetti Park) is founded in part on the fact that they apparently desire G-basin for the same facilities.

- 4. Location of the range at G-Basin would serve to alert adjacent potential residential development of the recreational use of this property and help to avoid future environmental problems that could potentially develop with delayed recreational development at this site. The range, in my opinion, would further serve as a stimulus for earlier recreational development at the site rather than a deterrent as expressed by some of the BOBS Organization membership.
- 5. Purchase of other acceptable private sites near Lodi puts the entire range project out of my financial means.
- 6. Finally, after much consideration, I cannot, in good conscience to my family and financial health, make the investment required (in the neighborhood of a minimum of \$100,000.00 plus) for relocation of the range at Pixley Park and would have to reluctantly discontinue my efforts for a relocation of my range in Lodi.

Hopefully, this documentation and comments will be of assistance in your redetermination of a continued positive recommendation for the range at the G-Basin site.

Very truly yours.

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UHBAN PLANNING & DESIGN PARK/RECREATION PLANNING

1730 S.W. SKYLINE BLVD. PORTLAND, OREGON 97221 (503) 297 - 1005

September 3, 1993

Lodi Golf Range 531 E. Lockefold Street Lodi, California 95240

Attn:

Kenneth Choo

Re:

Revised Concept Plan for DeBenedetti Park

Dear Ken,

Enclosed are several copies of the revised plan for DeBenedetti Park. The new plan is intended to address the following issues:

- 1. Need to accommodate facilities identified in the draft Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan.
- 2. Need to satisfy the storm drainage detention requirements (202 acre feet).
- 3. Need to preserve existing vegetation.

As you can see from the revised concept plan, the new plan exceeds the recommendation in the draft Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan. The plan also exceeds the required storm drainage requirements. However, due to the type and number of facilities and the drainage requirements, it will be necessary to remove five existing trees.

Below is a revised list of facilities contained in the new concept plan.

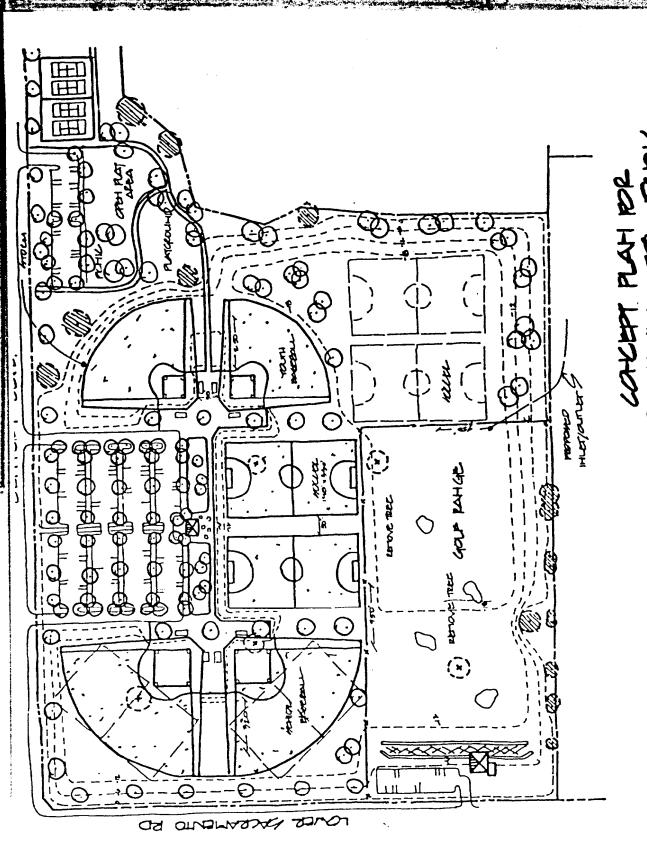
- o Golf Driving Range
- o Two Senior Baseball Fields (320' outfield)
- o Two Youth Baseball Fields (250' outfield)
- o Two Mid-Sized Soccer Fields (195' x 330')
- o Two Soccer Fields Overlaid on the Senior Basebail Fields
- o Restroom/Concession Building
- o Storage Area
- o Four Tennis Courts (could add more)
- o Playground Area
- o Open Play Area
- o Picnic Area

'f you have any questions, please give me a call.

Kevin Apperson

JC Draggoo & Associates

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Hutchins Street Square

Site S-2

12.0 Acres

Hutchins Street Square is an old high school site that is predominantly used for cultural arts and senior activities. The site is managed by another city department although the Parks and Recreation Department maintains the facilities. Currently, the Parks and Recreation Department utilizes one of the buildings on the site for a children's day care program.

There are plans to expand the cultural arts facilities on this site and a separate advisory board is responsible for those activities. The site is a potential location for the proposed indoor recreation center. (See the recommendations under "Indoor Recreation Center".)

Maple Square

Site S-3

0.6 Acres

This small undeveloped park site is located at the southeast corner of Lodi Avenue and Sacramento Street. It is also adjacent to the Southern Pacific Railroad. Because the proposed Needham Recreation Complex is nearby, it is recommended that Maple Square be sold and the proceeds used to acquire other recreation sites.

Needham School

Site S-4

6.0 Acres

This site is currently owned by the Lodi Unified School District and may be available for purchase. This site is being considered for an indoor recreation center. Since the indoor recreation center would occupy the space covered by school buildings, most of the playground would still be available for outdoor recreation use. It is anticipated that this space would provide activities in support of the proposed center. If a recreation center is not located on the site, a portion of it should be used for a neighborhood park.

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Pixley Park

Site S-5

33.0 Acres

This site currently contains 26.0 acres of land of which 25 acres are dedicated for water detention. It is recommended that an additional seven acres be acquired so that more grading flexibility can occur for the sport fields. This site is recommended for a major adult softball and soccer complex suitable for league play and tournaments. Because this site is located in an industrial area, problems with lighting and noise should not occur. Facilities should include five adult softball fields, two lighted soccer fields, six tennis courts, a restroom building and a large concession area. The existing model airplane activity should be moved to another location.

The undeveloped park site is also a storm water detention area and unlike other existing detention basins, could be graded to different levels so that some portions would experience less flooding than others. It is

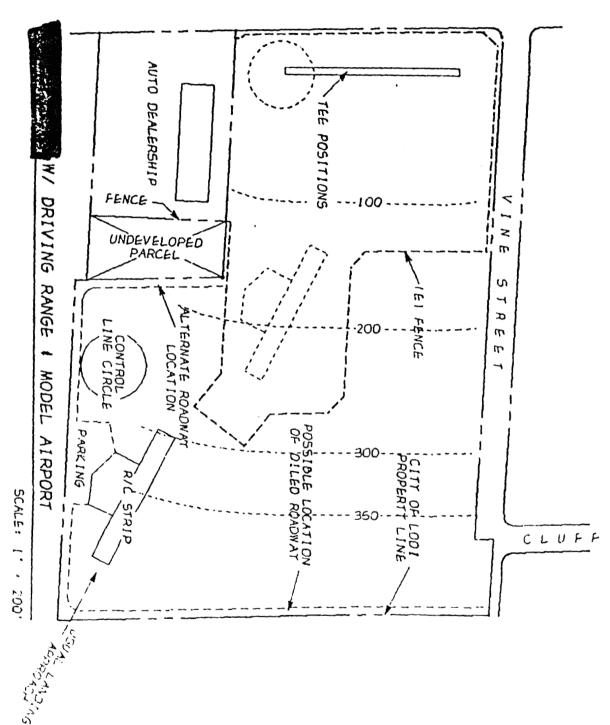
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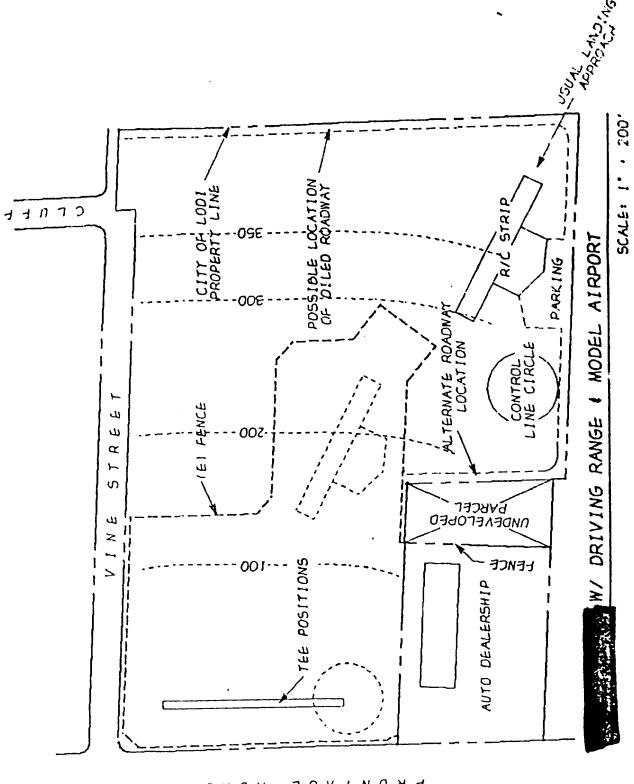
recommended that another four acres of land be added to the site so that more flexibility in contouring and grading can occur. This will allow the sport fields to be placed at a level above most flooding conditions.

Sketch of Pixley Park

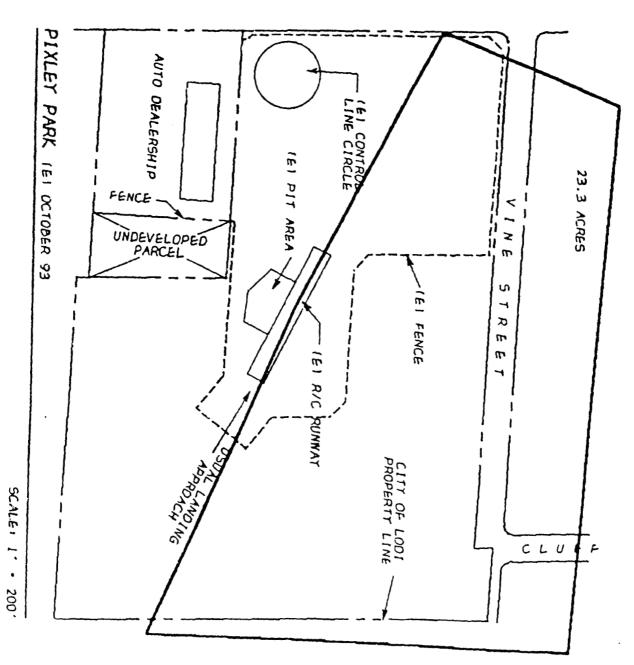
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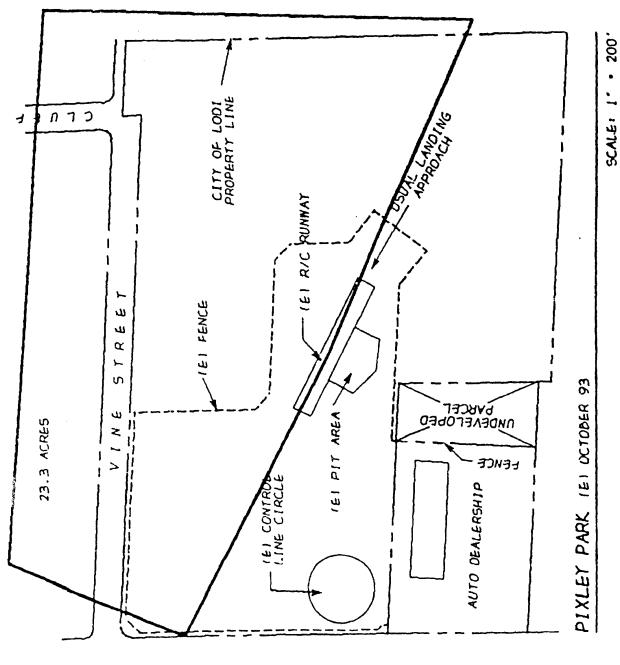
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DECLARATION OF MAILING

On January 6, 1994 in the City of Lodi, San Joaquin County, California, I deposited in the United States mail, envelopes with first-class postage prepaid thereon, containing a copy of the Notice attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A"; said envelopes were addressed as is more particularly shown on Exhibit "B" attached hereto.

There is a regular daily communication by mail between the City of Lodi, California, and the places to which said envelopes were addressed.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on January 6, 1994, at Lodi, California.

Jennifer M. Perrin City Clerk

Jacqueline L. Hodson Deputy City Clerk



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Date:

January 19, 1994

Time:

7:00 p.m.

For information regarding this Public Hearing Please Contact:

Jennifer M. Perrin City Clerk Telephone: 333-6702

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

January 19, 1994

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, at the hour of 7:00p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider the following matter:

a) Appeal from Kenneth Choo appealing the Recreation Commission's recommendation <u>not</u> to allow the relocation of the Golf Driving Range to the DeBenedetti Park as requested

All interested persons are invited to present their views and comments on this matter. Written statements may be filed with the City Clerk at any time prior to the hearing scheduled herein, and oral statements may be made at said hearing.

If you challenge the subject matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk, 221 West Pine Street, at or prior to the Public Hearing.

By Order Of the Lodi City Council:

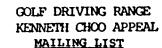
Jennifer M. Perrin

City Clerk

Dated: January 5, 1994

Approved as to form:

Bobby W. McNatt City Attorney



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